

Regular Meeting

<i>Agenda Item#</i>	6
<i>Meeting Date</i>	12 January 2004
<i>Prepared By</i>	Sara Anne Daines, ECD Director
<i>Approved By</i>	Richard M. Finn, City Manager

Discussion Item	Resolution authorizing State Revitalization Grant projects																																
Background	<p>In early December, the Montgomery County Council approved the re-allocation of a previously expired \$600,000 revitalization grant to the City of Takoma Park. Grant funds are to be used to complete proposed revitalization projects and to leverage additional resources from the State of Maryland for similar types of improvements.</p> <p>A preliminary project budget, approved by the County Council and State staff, was presented to the City Council for consideration on January 5, 2004. Individual expenditures are to be presented before the Council for approval prior to the execution of any contract for required design and engineering services or construction work. The Council was supportive of the proposed project listing and preliminary budget though additional information on the Old Town Enhancement project was requested. Said information will be presented at a later council meeting.</p> <p>The City Council is asked to formally approve, by resolution, the proposed project listing and allocation of resources.</p>																																
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<i>Attachments</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution authorizing State Revitalization Grant projects • Proposed Revitalization Projects Matrix (4 November 2003)
<i>Recommendation</i>	To approve the accompanying resolution, authorizing staff to proceed with the development of approved projects.
<i>Special Considerations</i>	Recent changes in state legislation governing the expenditure of such appropriations coupled with the County's desire to have its funds expended in a timely manner, necessitate quick action on the part of the City to finalize the budgets for these projects and to enter into contracts for their completion. To retain the state appropriation, funds must be encumbered by June 2004.

Introduced by:

Resolution #2004-

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE REVITALIZATION GRANT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park has received a total of \$1,600,000 in federal (\$200,000), state (\$800,000), and county (\$600,000) grant funds for the revitalization of its residential and commercial neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified five general projects which include general street improvements, storm water improvements associated with the community center, gateway/wayfinder improvements, and streetscape enhancements at Maple Sherman and in the Old Town area, each of which will encourage continued reinvestment and further ongoing revitalization in the community; and

WHEREAS, said projects have been reviewed and approved by the State of Maryland Department of General Services and the Montgomery County Council as being an appropriate use of public funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Takoma Park City Council hereby authorizing the expenditure of state and county funds for the following revitalization projects:

Maple Sherman Streetscape Enhancements	\$ 15,000
Gateway/Wayfinder Improvements	\$ 60,000
Old Town Enchantments	\$ 275,000
Storm Water Improvements	\$ 350,000
Street Improvements	\$ 900,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the City Manager is hereby authorized to proceed with the development of such authorized projects and to take any action necessary to carry out the intent of these resolutions and to comply with all state and county requirements governing the expenditure of approved revitalization funds; and,

Approved this 12th day of January 2004.

Cathy Waters, City Clerk CMC/AAE

Voting For:

Voting Against:

Abstaining:

Absent: